

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CLERK'S OFFICE

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES**DOCKET NO. 2018-372-C**

Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("HTC" or the "Company") has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for an Expansion of Its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, pursuant to S. C. Code Ann. § 58- 9-280 to provide local exchange and exchange access service to customers within the State of South Carolina. HTC's local service will be provided in areas currently being served by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina ("AT&T") in Marion and Dillon Counties, and by Frontier Communications of the Carolinas, Inc. ("Frontier") in those areas of Georgetown County that the Applicant does not already have authority to serve. The Applicant will provide its services via a combination of traditional circuit switched (i.e., time division multiplexed or "TDM") and Voice over Internet Protocol ("VoIP") switching platforms.

A copy of the company's application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2018-372-C. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the Company's representative Margaret M. Fox, Esquire, McNair Law Firm, Post Office Box 11390, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a party of record should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **January 18, 2019**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all parties of record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2018-372-C and mail a copy to all other parties in this docket.*** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **January 18, 2019**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2018-372-C.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817, on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Wednesday, February 27, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence from all interested parties.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicant, Petitioners, and Intervenor only):

All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all parties of record. Prefiled Testimony Deadlines: Applicant's **Direct Testimony** Due: **1/23/2019**; Other Parties of Record **Direct Testimony** Due: **2/6/2019**; Applicant's **Rebuttal Testimony** Due: **2/13/2019**; and Other Parties of Record **Surrebuttal Testimony** Due: **2/20/2019**. All Prefiled Testimony Deadlines are subject to the information as posted on www.psc.sc.gov under ***Docket No. 2018-372-C.***

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and ***Docket No. 2018-372-C.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

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